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October Raffle

1. Fillmore/Cash Store/Fillmore/Utah//GF/5¢
2. Weber Club//12 1/2 ¢ (Ogden, Ut.)
3. Orpheum Billiard&B.A. Co.//GF/12 1/2 ¢ (SL)
4. The Wave/46/S. Main//GF/5¢(SLC)
5. 1 OZ. Silver
and more

Next Meeting

The next club meeting will be held September 27 at 7:15 p.m. at the Redwood Multi-purpose Center, 3100 South, Redwood Road. The speaker will be Richard Gabel. Look closely at the raffle items for some good tokens.

Token Hunter Notes

Overlapping vacation/business travel and general busy-ness will force the editor to reduce the size of this issue. I had to get it out a little early at a reduced size or put out the regular size issue after the meeting. I chose the former and I hope no one will be offended.

We sincerely hope to have the town list available for purchase at this meeting. As we reported to the officers at the last board meeting, this project has become "complicateder and complicateder" as we've gone along. A few responses to the questionnaire that came in late caused us to rethink some things, and reviews of "near-final" drafts of the list and its introductory materials have had us rethinking others. The bottom line is we are close to being done with what we hope will be a quality product. Come to this month's meeting and you can buy a copy and judge for yourself.

President's Message

Dear NUTS:

I'm sorry I couldn't make the last meeting, but I understood that our Vice-president, Bill Turpela, did a wonderful job of making things run smoothly. We would like to thank Pat Hearty for speaking about the Pony Express and answering our questions about that short, but important, period of U.S. western history.

This month's meeting we have a special speaker on metal detectors. He is Richard Gabel from C & R Enterprises. He is a club member, but this will be the first meeting he has been able to attend. He will talk about some of the new innovations and technical advancements that are coming out. And, because his dealership offers him numerous chances to practice detecting, he will share with us many metal detecting experiences.

This month's meeting we will nominate officers for next year. I want all club members to help out and take it upon themselves to give of their time and talents and make a commitment to consider serving as President, Vice-president, Secretary, or in another office. It doesn't take much time and the rewards are great.

See you at the meeting,

Bob

What's New - Follow-up

Two issues ago we ran a rubbing of a miner's check from Spring Canyon, Utah. We asked readers to help identify the check and to give their opinions about whether a mine check is a "token" in the broadest sense of that term. We received good response on both requests.

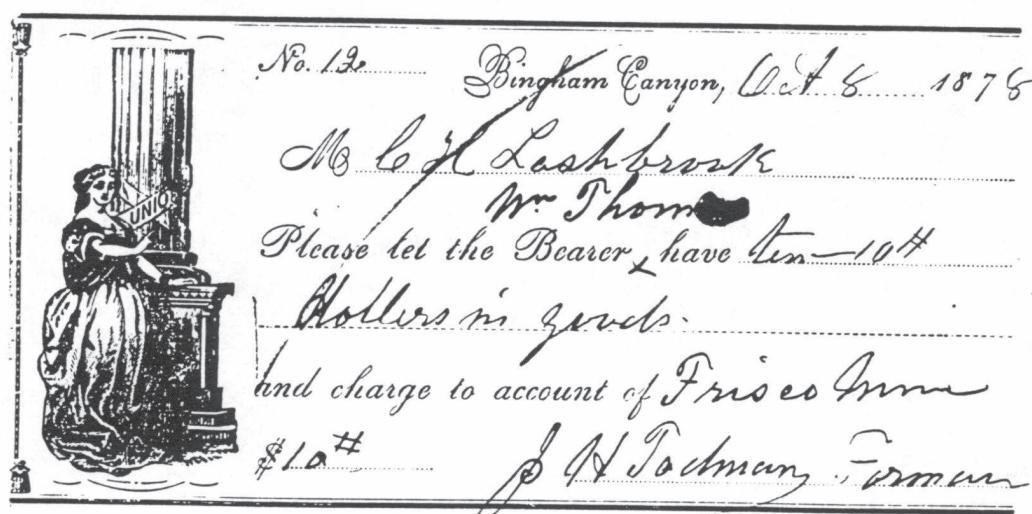
Long time Utah token collector Blaine Simons showed the editor an object similar to the Spring Canyon Check, only more simple and uniface. His notes reveal a past conversation with David Jones who worked for Liberty Fuel starting in 1925. He said:

"... (E)ach miner at the Liberty Mine had a number. He hung his number on a hook on a board (using an object like the one rubbed below) when he went into the mine. This way the management knew who was in the mine in the case of an accident. Miners also had other checks with the same number which were used for other purposes. For example, when he loaded a car full of coal, he put his check on it so that he would be paid for it. The foreman at the top took off the check before the car was dumped...

Thus, it seems we were correct in guessing about the uses of the Spring Canyon check. The question remains as to whether the check was a token under the broadest definition of that term. Opinions here are still varied.

One camp says, "not without the words 'good for' can it be considered a token." Another camp says any piece shaped like a coin and used in mining communities, whether to keep track of exploders, dynamite, or caps, tools, full ore carts, or whatever, served as a medium of exchange and should be considered a token. Still another group wants to be quite technical and try to define each item case-by-case. One interesting comment was that the checks acted like a miners credit card and, hence, should be thought of as an exchange medium, and therefore a token. One individual expressed the opinion that all non-monetary "checks" should not be considered tokens because they were used only to keep track of things, not issued as money-substitute type exchange media. If that's the case, most token collectors have a few non-token tokens in their collections, I am sure.

It seems each of us has his or her opinion, no one of which is necessarily better than another. The editor's opinion is that the subject needs a harder look and more research. While you think about it, consider this. Is the object copied below a kind of mining-camp money? Since it's not coin-like in shape, its probably not a token. Yet, it was obviously an exchange medium which functioned like money. What are the club members' opinions about the Frisco Mine's scrip note issued by Foreman Jackman?

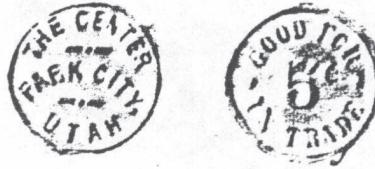


NAME: THE CENTER PARK CITY UTAH

DESCRIPTION of token in collection.

OBVERSE: THE CENTER PARK CITY UTAH.
A —o— appearing below wording of THE CENTER.
A —o— appearing below the wording of PARK CITY
Obverse has a plain border.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR 5¢ IN TRADE.
A star(*) before 5¢ and a star(*) after 5¢.
Token is 21.41 in size, and of brass metal.



NAME:

THE CENTER:

..... Park City Utah

REFERENCE: In research nothing can be found to indicate of where the Center Saloon was located, or who operated the same. But according to Dan Mc Polin, Dan Haran did at one time operate this place of business.

In the book; TREASURE MOUNTAIN HOME, page 198 and page 199; on September 1909, a fire broke out burning down the Maple Hall, and the fire spreading to the GEM and MINERS and MUCKERS saloons, and then into the Nearby CENTER SALOON. Also states the fire spread to the Jefford Store (would be a door below the old American Theatre) so thereby the CENTER Saloon being just a few doors away.

NOTES: THE GEM SALOON, was operated by J.J. JEFFORD.

The Miners and Muckers Saloon was operated by Michael (Mick) Condon,

NOTE: The following add was noted in the Park Record files, dating to the year of 1896-1897. (Mailed to me by Bea Kummer, March 1973)

THE CENTER SALOON..... Wayne Rose, Prop.

NAME: - CENTRAL DRUG CO: Park City Utah

DESCRIPTION of token, in collection.

OBVERSE: CENTRAL DRUG CO. THE REXALL STORE, Best in Town.

NOTE: The name of S.L. Stamp Co. appears to the right of the word "STORE".
Plain Border.

REVERSE: Good for 5¢ in Trade, and a plain border.

Token is 21MM in size, and of brass metal.



NAME: CENTRAL DRUG CO: Park City Utah

REFERENCE: Mercantile Agency Book HF 5573*D7(Folio) now published as Dunn and Bradstreet Book. (Photo copies from Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Listed as Central Drug Co. for the following years:...1907....1910....1911....1912...1914....1915...1916....1917....1918.

REFERENCE: Utah State Gazetters(zerox copies of the Park City Merchants.

Listed as F.A.Shields, Manager, Central Drug Co. 411 Main, for the following years:..1914-15. also for years of 1912-1913(Frank A. Shields)

Listed as Edner M.Mc Ginley, Central Drug Co. 411 Main, for the following years:..1916-1917-1918-1919...1920-21....1922-23....1924-25....1927-28....1930-31.

REFERENCE: Park City Telephone Directory.

Listed as Central Drug Store for the following years:..1911..1913....1914...1915...1916...1917....1918....1919....1920..1921...1922..1923...1924...1925...1926..1927...1928...1929...1930...1931..and the remaining years up to and including the year of 1940.

SPECIAL NOTE: This Drug Store building was located one door south of the Oak. When Mc Ginley operated the store, he had his living quarters, upstairs.

REFERENCE: Park City Water Works:(Bill & Collection Register Book starting in 1913)

In 1913, the record shows that Mrs. A.B.Williams was the owner of the building, which Frank Shields, operated as the Central Drug Store. Starting with the year of 1914, the record shows, that Mc Ginley did operate the Central Drug Store, up to and including the year of 1942.

REFERENCE: R.G.DUN & CO, Business Directory of all towns in Utah, for year of 1913. (Have zerox copy on file)

CENTRAL DRUG CO...listed for year of 1913

REFERENCE: R.G. DUN BUSINESS DIRECTORY,separate listing of all towns & cities in Utah. for the year of 1913 only.
CENTRAL DRUG CO.....for 1913.

NAME:

CENTRAL DRUG CO:...

Park City Utah

REFERENCE: Park City Treasurer Receipt & Disbursement Book from 1910 to 1923.

CENTRAL DRUG CO: issued a license on the following dates: Cost per quarter \$7.50
Issued on: March 1912...June 1912...September 1912...January 1913.....
April 1913....October 1913....July 1914...October 1914....July 1915...10-1-1915
(License also issued in July 1910)

Merchant license also issued on the following dates: 1-18-1916...4-12-1916....
7-11-1916...10-16-1916...1-12-1917...4-19-1917...7-23-1917....12-12-1917....
1-14-1917....4-30-1918...10-11-1918...1-23-1919....4-1-1919....7-23-1919....
10-15-1919...

CENTRAL DRUG CO. issued merchant license also on the following years, cost per quarter was \$9.50. 2-13-1920. Then issued to E.M. Mc Ginnley on 4-12-1920....
7-14-1920....10-8-1920...1-19-1921..4-18-1921....7-16-1921...10-26-1921...
1-16-1922....4-22-1922...8-30-1922..October 1922..1-1-1923..4-19-1923...
7-19-1923...10-11-23...

SPECIAL NOTE: The CENTRAL DRUG STORE, burned down in the huge fire of the summer months, of 1973. The First Security Bank, the OAK, Drug Store, the building just north of Hodgsons Store also.

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Use these flyers to recruit a couple of friends to become members of the club. New members who join in the last three months of 1988 need not pay dues in 1989.

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